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Man Charged with Possessing Assault Weapon

A Gardena man was charged today with having an assault weapon in downtown Los Angeles, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Gregory Wong (dob 9/14/88) faces one felony count of possession of an ARP5 assault weapon in case BA489657.

Arraignment is scheduled on Sept. 2 in Department 30 of the Foltz Criminal Justice Center.

At approximately 1:30 a.m. on June 2, Wong was allegedly observed near 1st and Main streets, where protesters had gathered, carrying the rifle and a handgun, prosecutors said.

If convicted as charged, the defendant faces a possible maximum sentence of three years in jail.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department, Central Division.

About the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office

Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to protecting our community through the fair and ethical pursuit of justice and the safeguarding of crime victims' rights.